

### IN THE CLAIMS

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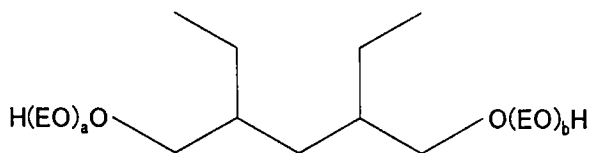
#### Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A recording liquid deposited on a support in the state of liquid droplets for recording thereon, comprising:  
a ~~dyestuff~~ colorant material;  
a solvent for dispersing said ~~dyestuff~~ colorant material; and  
an ethylene oxide adduct of a [[a]] dihydric alcohol, containing a hydrocarbon group with 9 or less carbon atoms and having a ratio  $[[I/V]]$  I/O of an inorganic value (~~IO~~) (IV) to an organic value (OV) not less than 1 and not larger than 1.37.

2. (Currently Amended) The recording liquid according to claim 1, wherein said ethylene oxide adduct of a dihydric alcohol ~~at least~~ includes at least a branched hydrocarbon group.

3. (Currently Amended) The recording liquid according to claim 1, wherein said ethylene oxide adduct of a dihydric alcohol includes at least one or more of organic compounds represented by the chemical formulas 1 to 3:

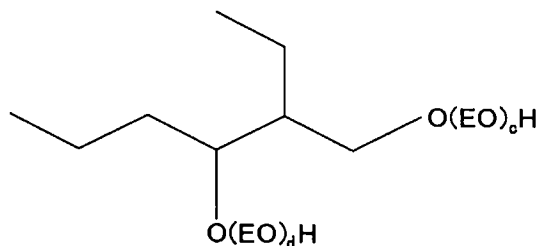
[Chemical formula 1]



... (1)

where  $1 \leq a+b \leq 6$

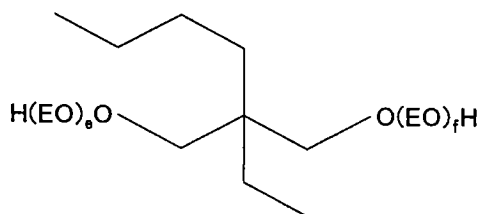
[Chemical formula 2]



... (2)

where  $1 \leq c+d \leq 5$

[Chemical formula 3]



... (3)

where  $1 \leq e+f \leq 6$ .

4. (Currently Amended) The recording liquid according to claim 1, wherein ~~[[the]] a~~ a dynamic surface tension ( $\gamma_{20}$ ) at 20 Hz is not less than 30 mN/m and ~~wherein the~~ a dynamic surface tension ( $\gamma_1$ ) at 1 Hz is not larger than 38 mN/m.

5. (Currently Amended) A liquid cartridge mounted to a liquid supply device for operating as a supply source ~~for said~~ of a recording liquid for said liquid supply device, said liquid supply device ~~being~~ provided to a liquid emitting device adapted for emitting the recording liquid, held in a liquid vessel, in the form of liquid droplets, and depositing the emitted

~~ink~~ recording liquid on a support, for ~~effecting~~ producing the recording, ~~wherein~~ said recording liquid comprises:

a ~~dyestuff~~ colorant material[[,]];

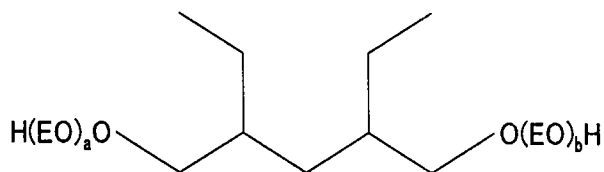
a solvent for dispersing said ~~dyestuff~~ colorant material; and

an ethylene oxide adduct of a dihydric alcohol, containing a hydrocarbon group with 9 or less carbon atoms and having a ratio  $\frac{[I/V]}{I/O}$  of an inorganic value (~~IO~~) (IV) to an organic value (OV) not less than 1 and not larger than 1.37.

6. (Currently Amended) The liquid cartridge according to claim 5, wherein said ethylene oxide adduct of a dihydric alcohol ~~at least~~ includes at least a branched hydrocarbon group.

7. (Currently Amended) The liquid cartridge according to claim 5, wherein said ethylene oxide adduct of a dihydric alcohol includes at least one or more of organic compounds represented by the chemical formulas 1 to 3:

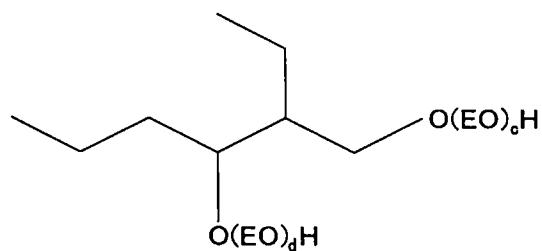
[Chemical formula [[4]] 1]



... (1)

where  $1 \leq a+b \leq 6$

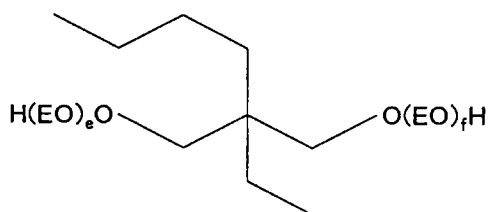
[Chemical formula [[5]] 2]



... (2)

where  $1 \leq c+d \leq 5$

[Chemical formula [6]] 3]



... (3)

where  $1 \leq e+f \leq 6$ .

8. (Currently Amended) The recording liquid according to claim 5, wherein the a dynamic surface tension ( $\gamma_{20}$ ) at 20 Hz is not less than 30 mN/m and ~~wherein the~~ a dynamic surface tension ( $\gamma_1$ ) at 1 Hz is not larger than 38 mN/m.

9. (Currently Amended) The liquid cartridge according to claim 5, wherein said liquid vessel includes:

a liquid reservoir for accommodating said recording liquid,

a connecting part for connecting the liquid cartridge to the liquid supply device so that, when the liquid cartridge is connected to the liquid supply device, the recording liquid contained in said liquid reservoir may be supplied to said liquid supply device,

a communication port for taking in outside air in an amount corresponding to a decreased amount of the recording liquid in said liquid reservoir when the liquid cartridge is mounted on the liquid supply device and said recording liquid is supplied from said liquid reservoir to said liquid supply device,

an air inlet duct for establishing communication between said liquid reservoir and the communication port for introducing air taken in via said communication port into said liquid reservoir, and

a storage arranged between said communication port and the air inlet duct for storing the recording liquid flowing out from said liquid reservoir.

10. (Currently Amended) A liquid emitting device comprising:

an emitting means unit including a liquid chamber for storing a recording liquid, a supply part for supplying said recording liquid to said liquid chamber, one or more pressure generating element(s) provided to said liquid chamber for thrusting said recording liquid stored in said liquid chamber, and an emitting opening for emitting said recording liquid, thrust by said pressure generating element, onto ~~[[the]]~~ a major surface of a support from said liquid chamber as a liquid droplet; and

a liquid cartridge connected to said emitting ~~means~~ unit for operating as a supply source for said recording liquid~~[[;]]~~,

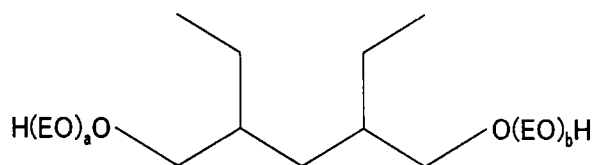
wherein,

said recording liquid ~~comprising~~ comprises a ~~dyestuff~~ colorant material, a solvent for dispersing said ~~dyestuff~~ colorant material and an ethylene oxide adduct of a dihydric alcohol, containing a hydrocarbon group with 9 or less carbon atoms and having a ratio ~~[[I/V]]~~ I/O of an inorganic value ~~(IO)~~ (IV) to an organic value (OV) not less than 1 and not larger than 1.37.

11. (Currently Amended) The liquid emitting device according to claim 10, wherein said ethylene oxide adduct of a dihydric alcohol, ~~at least~~ includes at least a branched hydrocarbon group.

12. (Currently Amended) The liquid emitting device according to claim 10, wherein said ethylene oxide adduct of a dihydric alcohol in said recording liquid includes at least one or more of organic compounds represented by the chemical formulas 1 to 3:

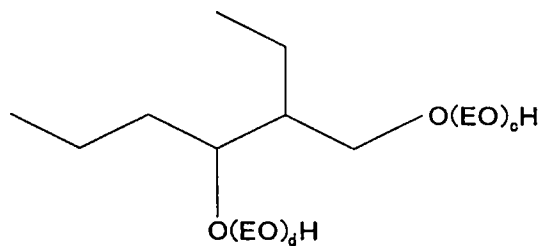
[Chemical formula [[7]] 1]



... (1)

where  $1 \leq a+b \leq 6$

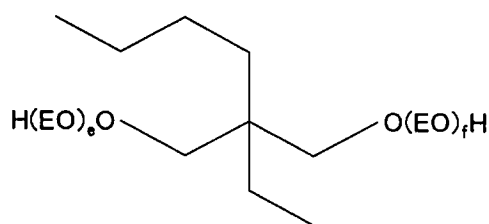
[Chemical formula [[8]] 2]



... (2)

where  $1 \leq c+d \leq 5$

[Chemical formula [[9]] 3]



... (3)

where  $1 \leq e+f \leq 6$ .

13. (Currently Amended) The liquid emission device according to claim 10, wherein the recording liquid has a dynamic surface tension ( $\gamma_{20}$ ) at 20 Hz not less than 30 mN/m and a dynamic surface tension ( $\gamma_1$ ) at 1 Hz not larger than 38 mN/m.

14. (Currently Amended) The liquid emission device according to claim 10, wherein said emitting openings of said emission ~~means~~ unit are juxtaposed ~~[[in]]~~ along a line.

15. (Currently Amended) A liquid emitting method employing a liquid emitting device comprising:

an emitting ~~means~~ unit including a liquid chamber for storing ~~[[the]]~~ a recording liquid, a supply part for supplying said recording liquid to said liquid chamber, one or more pressure generating ~~element(s)~~ elements provided to said liquid chamber for thrusting said recording liquid stored in said liquid chamber, and ~~an~~ one or more emitting ~~opening~~ openings for emitting said recording liquid, thrust by said one or more pressure generating ~~element~~ elements, onto ~~the~~ a surface of a support from said liquid chamber as liquid droplets; and

a liquid cartridge connected to said emitting ~~means~~ unit for operating as a supply source for said recording liquid~~[[;]]~~,

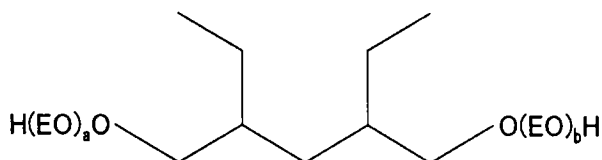
wherein,

said recording liquid ~~comprising~~ comprises a ~~dyestuff~~ colorant material, a solvent for dispersing said ~~dyestuff~~ colorant material and an ethylene oxide adduct of a dihydric alcohol, containing a hydrocarbon group with 9 or less carbon atoms and having a ratio  $[[I/V]]$  I/O of an inorganic value ~~(I/O)~~ (IV) to an organic value (OV) not less than 1 and not larger than 1.37.

16. (Currently Amended) The liquid emitting method according to claim 15, wherein said ethylene oxide adduct of a dihydric alcohol in said recording liquid ~~at least~~ includes at least a branched hydrocarbon group.

17. (Currently Amended) The liquid emitting method according to claim 15, wherein at least one or more of organic compounds are represented by the chemical formulas 1 to 3:

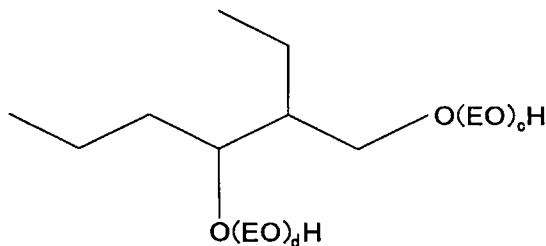
[Chemical formula  $[[10]]$  1]



... (1)

where  $1 \leq a+b \leq 6$

[Chemical formula  $[[11]]$  2]

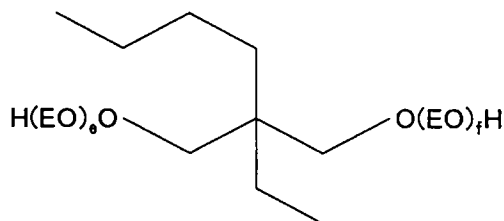


... (2)



where  $1 \leq c+d \leq 5$

[Chemical formula  $[[12]]$  3]



... (3)

where  $1 \leq e+f \leq 6$

is used as said ethylene oxide adduct of the dihydric alcohol in said recording liquid.

18. (Currently Amended) The liquid emission method according to claim 15, wherein the recording liquid has a dynamic surface tension ( $\gamma_{20}$ ) at 20 Hz not less than 30 mN/m and a dynamic surface tension ( $\gamma_1$ ) at 1 Hz not larger than 38 mN/m.

19. (Currently Amended) The liquid emission method according to claim 15, wherein said one or more emitting openings of said emission ~~means~~ unit are juxtaposed  $[[in]]$  along a line.